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BORN TO THE MOST NOBLE OF ECHIDNA HOUSES, THE LATEST TO CONTINUE THE FAMILY HERITAGE AND RESPONSIBILITY AS GUARDIAN OF THE FLOATING ISLAND, DEFENDER OF ALL FROM THE FORCES OF EVIL FROM THE WORLD BEYOND AS WELL AS THOSE WHO WOULD THREATEN WITHIN, HE IS NONE OTHER THAN

KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA!

LAST ISSUE, KNUCKLES DISCOVERED THAT A WANDERING STRANGER JULIE-SU HAD ENCOUNTERED WAS IN FACT HIS GRANDFATHER TOBOR, WHO HAD BEEN THE VICTIM OF A CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY. SO GREAT WAS HIS SHAME, HAVING LOST TO THE DARK LEGION IN THE FIRST CRISIS HE HAD EVER FACED, THAT TOBOR FOUND HIMSELF UNABLE TO RETURN HOME AND FACE HIS FAMILY.

SENSING AN INSIDIOUS DARK LEGION PLOT BEHIND THIS, KNUCKLES HAS VENTURED FORTH TO THE JAIL CELLS OF THE ECHIDNA SECURITY AGENCY, WHERE THE ONE ECHIDNA WHO MAY HAVE THE ANSWERS IS CURRENTLY INCARCERATED, WHILE HIS GRANDFATHER TOBOR IS LEFT IN THE CARE OF LARA-LE AND JULIE-SU...

SOME MORE TEA, GRANDFATHER TOBOR ?

YES, THANK YOU, LARA-LE!

IT HAS BEEN SO LONG SINCE I'VE EXPERIENCED THE *WARMTH OF HOME AND FAMILY!*

WOULD YOU *MIND* IF I MADE AN INQUIRY OF A *PERSONAL* NATURE, SIR ?

ASK ME *ANYTHING*, CHILD.

WHICH MATTERED *MORE TO YOU*--

--BEING A *GUARDIAN*--

--OR BEING A *HUSBAND AND FATHER* ?

YOU KNOW-- THAT'S THE *ONE* THING I NEVER GAVE MUCH *THOUGHT* TO!

I TOOK IT AS A *GIVEN* THAT ONE DAY I'D BE A GUARDIAN--

--JUST AS I ASSUMED HAVING A *WIFE* AND *CHILD* WAS THE *NORMAL* ORDER OF THINGS!

WHAT I NEVER *REALIZED*--

--WERE THE *DEMANDS* AND *SACRIFICES* ONE WOULD *IMPOSE* ON THE OTHER!"

WE *NEED* TO *TALK*!

WEllllllll...

DEBT OF HONOR

ABOUT TIME YOU SHOWED!

I WAS WONDERING HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE BEFORE YOU DECIDED TO GRACE ME WITH YOUR PRESENCE!

HOWEVER, IF YOU WISH TO CONVERSE, IT'S YOU AND ME, ONE-ON-ONE ONLY!

YOU HEARD HIM, CONSTABLE!

LOCK US UP!

BE REASONABLE, GUARDIAN!

I CAN'T JUST LOCK YOU INSIDE WITH A DANGEROUS CRIMINAL!

WHY NOT?

I PROMISE NOT TO HURT HIM!

I FAIL TO SEE THE HUMOR!

I BET OUR FRIEND HERE GOT THE JOKE!

YOU DO NOT SCARE ME, KNUCKLES!

NOR DO ANY OF YOUR KIND!

A BIT FIESTY, AREN'T WE?

PLEASE, GUARDIAN!

I BEG YOU TO RECONSIDER!

NAH!

IF I CAN'T HANDLE KRAGOK--

--I MIGHT AS WELL HANG IT UP!

C'MON! WE'RE WASTING TIME!

KLANG!

IF HE TRIES ANYTHING, MY MEN AND I WILL BE RIGHT OUTSIDE THIS DOOR!

NO!

NO?!

SONIC TAKES ON A WHOLE NEW IMAGE

BE THERE
WHEN SONIC,
KNUCKLES & THE
FREEDOM FIGHTERS
MEET SHADOWHAWK,
THE SAVAGE DRAGON AND
OTHER HEROES OF IMAGE COMICS
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I WANT COMPLETE PRIVACY!

I DON'T WANT EITHER YOU OR YOUR MEN ANYWHERE WITHIN SHOUTING DISTANCE!

UNDERSTOOD!

TCHINK!

THEY'RE GONE!

IT'S JUST YOU AND ME NOW!

I'VE GOT TO HAND IT TO YOU, KNUCKLES!

VERY FEW WOULD EVEN CONSIDER GOING ONE-ON-ONE AGAINST ME!

EITHER YOU'VE GOT THE BIGGEST PAIR OF KNUCKLES IVE EVER SEEN--

--OR ELSE YOU'RE A COMPLETE FOOL!

WHICH IS IT?

"I GUESS WE'LL FIND OUT WHICH, EH?"

HOW GOES THE REPAIRS, LOCKE?

NOT TOO GOOD, FATHER!

IN TRYING TO RECONSTRUCT THE DAMAGED CIRCUIT--

--I SEEM TO BE HITTING THE PROVERBIAL BRICK WALL!

HARD TO BELIEVE ONE SMALL PART COULD PUT US OUT OF COMMISSION!

EVEN AN ENEMY WOULD BE HARD-PRESSED TO FIGURE OUT A MORE VULNERABLE PLACE TO STRIKE!

I DON'T THINK I LIKE THE SOUND OF THAT!

ARE YOU SUGGESTING FOUL PLAY?

I'M NOT SURE!

DO YOU REALIZE WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

THE LIST OF SUSPECTS BEGINS AND ENDS WITH THOSE WHO RESIDE HERE IN HAVEN!

I HAVEN'T RULED OUT ANY POSSIBILITIES, FATHER!

I MERELY STATED THE PROBLEM WE'VE ENCOUNTERED HAS BEEN MORE DIFFICULT TO SOLVE THAN WE FIRST THOUGHT!

WE NEED HAVEN BACK ONLINE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, LOCKE--

-- AND IF SOMETHING IS HAMPERING YOUR PROGRESS--

"...WE NEED TO DISCOVER THE *SOURCE* AND TAKE CARE OF IT!"

WHY DON'T WE GET RIGHT DOWN TO THE *NITTY-GRITTY*--

--BY HAVING YOU TELL ME WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT SOMEONE NAMED TOBOR!

WHAT MAKES YOU THINK I KNOW?

AS A LEADER OF THE *DARK LEGION*, I KNOW YOU HAD ACCESS TO ALL THEIR *SECRETS*!

SECRETS NOT EVERYONE WAS LET IN ON!

MAYBE *OTHERS* DIDN'T KNOW TOBOR--

--BUT I'M BETTING YOU *DO*!

EVEN IF I *DID* KNOW, WHY *SHOULD* I TELL YOU?

WHAT'S IN IT FOR *ME*?

CONSTABLE REMINGTON MAY BE BOUND BY THE LETTER OF THE *LAW*--

--BUT *I'M* NOT!

AS A *GUARDIAN*--

--I'M EMPOWERED TO ACT AS JUDGE--JURY--AND YOU GET THE REST!

I DON'T LIKE DOING THE DIRTY JOBS--

--BUT I'M TIRED OF ALL THE SECRETS AND LIES!

ISN'T THAT TOO BAD!

I TRULY FEEL FOR YOU--

NOT!

WOOF!

YOU HAD YOUR OWE CHANCE, BUB!

IF THAT'S THE WAY YOU WANNA PLAY IT--

--THEN IT'S GAME OVER FOR YOU!!!

UGHH!

ASTOUNDING!!!

IT WOULD APPEAR THAT OPPOSITES DO ATTRACT!!

IT'LL TAKE MORE THAN SOME FUNKY LIGHT SHOW TO PUT ME DOWN FOR THE COUNT!

WAIT!!! THIS WASN'T SUPPOSED TO HAPPEN!!

NOT TO ME!! NOT TO ME!

DON'T YOU EVER SHUT UP?

FAAAAR OUT!

WHAT IS THIS PLACE?

NOT HERE!! NOT AGAIN!!!

"I SWORE I'D NEVER RETURN HERE AGAIN!"

WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND, GRANDFATHER TOBOR--

--IS HOW HAWKING COULD MISTAKE A DARK LEGIONAIRE FOR HIS SON!

AS HARD AS IT IS TO COMPREHEND..

--IT TOOK ONLY THE CRUEL TOUCH OF FATE TO TURN THE UNIMAGINABLE INTO DARK REALITY!

YOU HAVE TO REMEMBER--

"--MORITORI REX AND I ENGAGED IN MORTAL COMBAT--

"WHEN THE SURROUNDING STRUCTURES COLLAPSED UPON US--

"--A BATTLE IN WHICH BOTH PARTIES NEITHER SOUGHT OR WERE GIVEN ANY QUARTER!

"--THERE WASN'T ANY WAY EITHER OF US WOULD EMERGE UNSCATHED!

"LYING THERE, I COULD FEEL MY BLOOD RUN ALONG MY FACE, THE BONES THAT WERE BROKEN IN MY ARM AND HAND--

" AS I WATCHED MY FATHER CARRY AWAY MORITORI REX IN HIS ARMS, IT DID NOT DAWN ON ME UNTIL MUCH LATER--

"--WHEN A KINDLY COUNTRY DOCTOR I HAD STUMBLED ACROSS DETERMINED THE FULL EXTENT OF MY INJURIES--

Hmmm!

YOUR VISION IS SERIOUSLY DETERIORATING!

I MAY HAVE TO OPERATE!

AS THE YEARS ROLLED INTO DECADES EVENTUALLY I HAD "NEW" EYES IMPLANTED SO I COULD SEE AGAIN. DESPITE OUR DISDAIN FOR TECHNOLOGY THAT'S WHEN IT DAWNED ON ME--

--THAT I REALIZED THE NATURE OF REX'S INJURIES MAY HAVE ALLOWED HIM TO EASILY FOOL THE FAMILY!

BUT TO FOOL THE FAMILY FOR SO LONG? HOW?

HE COULD'VE FEIGNED MEMORY LOSS FOR STARTERS!

BECOME MORE ALOOF IN THE PROCESS!

HE WOULDN'T BE THE FIRST GUARDIAN WHO PLACED DUTY BEFORE FAMILY!

WHO'D BE THE WISER?

WHAT ABOUT YOUR WIFE, YONI-CA?

I WOULD THINK SHE WOULD RECOGNIZE AN IMPOSTER!

AS MUCH AS I'VE AGONIZED OVER THAT POINT, DARLING LARA--

"--THAT'S THE ONE PIECE OF THE PUZZLE I *CAN'T* FIGURE OUT!"

ALRIGHT, KRAGOK--

WHERE EXACTLY ARE WE?

AND WHAT DO YOU *KNOW* ABOUT TOBOR?

YOU'R KIND NEVER DID *US* ANY FAVORS--

--SO WHY SHOULDN'T I *RESPOND* IN KIND?

BECAUSE IT AIN'T GOING TO DO YOU A LICK OF GOOD GETTING ME ALL *MEAN* AND *RILED* UP--

--THAT IS WHY!!!

I'M *THROUGH* PLAYING GAMES, KRAGOK!

YOU'RE GO NG TO *TELL* ME--

--ALL ABOUT TOBOR--

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"--AND WHAT THE *REAL DEAL* IS!"

DON'T YOU FIND IT A LITTLE *TOO CONVENIENT* THAT *ONE* COMPONENT TAKES OUT AN *ENTIRE* COMPLEX?

IT'S NOT SURPRISING AT ALL TO ME, SABRE!

I'VE *STUDIED* THE LAYOUT FOR *HAVEN* THOROUGHLY--

--AND ITS *EFFICIENCY* IS DERIVED FROM ITS *VERY SIMPLICITY*!

WHAT I FIND *TROUBLING*--

--IS OUR *VULNERABILITY* TO *ENEMY ATTACK* AT THE MOMENT!

FORTUNATELY, GRANDFATHER SOJOURNER, THE *SANCTITY* OF HAVEN HAS YET TO BE *VIOLATED*!

THERE IS STILL THE *DARK LEGION* TO RECKON WITH!

THEY *SHOULD NOT* BE TAKEN *LIGHTLY*!

THEY ARE AT A *LOW* PO.NT AT THIS MOMENT *THEMSELVES*, GRANDFATHER SPECTRE, BUT--

--I'LL *CONCEDE* YOU THIS, THOUGH--

"—IF THEY WERE TO SENSE WEAKNESS, THEY WOULD NOT HESITATE TO STRIKE!"

I'LL TALK ALRIGHT! NOT THAT IT'LL DO YOU MUCH GOOD!

WHAT DO YOU KNOW OF THE STORY ABOUT DIMITRI?

WELL--

I WAS TOLD HE ATTEMPTED TO USE THE POWER OF THE CHAOS EMERALDS FOR HIS OWN PURPOSES UNTIL HIS BROTHER, EDMUND OPPOSED HIM.*

* SEE "A SENSE OF HISTORY" IN SONIC #35 AND #36. JUSTIN

EDMUND ENDED UP BECOMING THE FIRST GUARDIAN- AND MY ANCESTOR!

AS FOR DIMITRI, HE WOUND UP TRANSFORMING INTO ENERJAK--

--UNTIL MAMMOTH MOGUL WOUND UP CLEANING HIS CLOCK!*

*IN SONIC #56, 57

AND THAT'S IT?

YOU GOT ME! FAMILY HISTORY WAS NEVER MY STRONG POINT!

IT WAS WITH US!

DIMITRI HAD A SON, MENNIKER, WHO FOUNDED THE DARK LEGION AND TOOK HIS REVENGE ON EDMUND!

UNFORTUNATELY FOR HIM--

" EDMUND'S SON, STEPPENWOLF MASTERED THE POWER OF CHAOS ENERGY, USING IT TO EXILE MENNIKER AND THE DARK LEGION INTO THIS ZONE WE'RE IN NOW

"PERIODICALLY, WE WOULD MANAGE TO ESCAPE ONLY TO BE THWARTED BY WHICHEVER GUARDIAN WE MET UP WITH AT THE T ME ..

" WHETHER WE EXPERIENCED TIME MORE SLOWLY OR SIMPLY MOVED THROUGH TIME, WHO CAN SAY, BUT WE LIVED ONE GENERATION FOR EVERY FOUR OF YOURS!

"IT WAS THEN THAT MY FATHER, MORITORI REX, WHILE IN THIS PARTICULAR ZONE, DISCOVERED THAT HE WAS ABLE TO WATCH OTHERS IN ANOTHER ZONE!

"SINCE HE COULD SEE THEM, BUT THEY COULDN'T SEE HIM, HE TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THIS...

" THE GUARDIAN HE WATCHED WAS THEN LURED INTO A TRAP AND DEFEATED, LEAVING MY FATHER IN THE POSITION TO IMPERSONATE HIM AND CONQUER FROM WITHIN .. "

THE GUARDIAN YOUR FATHER DEFEATED-- IT WAS TOBOR, WASN'T IT ?

YES! YES! THINGS WERE A MESS ON THE FLOATING ISLAND BACK THEN--

-- SO WHO WOULD KNOW ?

WASN'T IT ?!

AND YOUR FATHER? WHERE IS HE NOW ?

WOULDN'T YOU LIKE TO KNOW ?

OVER THERE !

HUH ?

SUCKER!

DIDN'T YOUR FATHER TEACH YOU TO NEVER TAKE YOUR EYE OFF THE BALL FOR EVEN A MOMENT?

NOW THEN -

--PLEASE EXCUSE ME WHILE I TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE NATURAL PHENOMENON NOW OCCURRING!

OH-- MY HEAD!

I HATE IT WHEN THAT HAPPENS!

KRAGOK?!

OF ALL THE--!

HE'S HEADING FOR SOME ENERGY FIELD UP AHEAD!

COULD THAT POSSIBLY BE THE WAY OUT?

WHAT A BUST THAT WOULD BE--

"--IF HE GOT THROUGH AND I DIDN'T!"

THIS IS INCREDIBLE!

I'VE BEEN LOOKING THROUGH THE FAMILY ALBUMS--

--AND THERE'S NOT A TRACE OF EITHER YOU OR YONI-CA ANYWHERE!

THAT'S TO BE EXPECTED!

THE ENEMY WOULD HAVE BEEN MOST THOROUGH!

IN FACT, I'D--

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HE'S IN TROUBLE!

WHERE?

HOW DO YOU KNOW?

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-WHILE I GO TO HIS AIDE!

WAIT!!!

WHAT'S HAPPENING TO MY SON?!!

NOT EVEN AN "EXCUSE ME!"

IS IT ALWAYS LIKE THIS?

JULIE-SU--

"--I THINK WE HAVE TO TALK".

ASTONISHING!

KNUCKLES IS PROJECTING FROM ANOTHER ZONE SO INTENSELY--

--THAT MY CYBERNETIC VISION IMPLANTS CAN READ HIS IMAGE!

I'M REGISTERING SO MUCH CHAOS ENERGY, IT'S AS IF KNUCKLES WERE A LIVING CHAOS EMERALD!

I CAN'T RECALL ANY GUARDIAN BEING ABLE TO WIELD THAT MUCH POWER!

WHATEVER'S OCCURRING IS ABOUT TO CROSSOVER BACK TO THIS REALITY!

I'M REGISTERING A LIFE FORM EMERGING THROUGH THAT NEXUS!

CAN IT BE--

—A DARK LEGIONNAIRE?!

SWEET IRONY!

OF ALL THE ECHIONAS TO RUN INTO!!

I WOULDN'T BE SO SMUG, VILLAIN!

I'LL MAKE YOU WISH YOU STAYED UNDER THE ROCK YOU CRAWLED OUT FROM!

UGGH!

OUT OF MY WAY, OLD MAN!!!!

YOU CAN JOIN YOUR BRAT DESCENDENT IN THE TWILIGHT ZONE AFTER I'M LONG GONE!

LET'S NOT BE SO HASTY, KRAGOK!

I'M FAR FROM THROUGH WITH YOU!

NO, SON!! GET OUT OF HERE!

THIS IS MY FIGHT!

ARE YOU INSANE, OLD MAN?!!

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?!!

SETTLING A FEW SCORES--
--STARTING WITH YOU!.
NOOOoooo...
GO GIT 'IM, GRANDFATHER TOBOR!
"SO LONG AS YOU KNOW WHERE HOME IS!"
...AND WHILE I'M SURE HE'S BEEN A GREAT FRIEND TO YOU, JULIE-SU -
-DON'T GET YOUR HOPES UP FOR MORE!
THAT'S THE FURTHEST THING FROM MY MIND, MA'AM!
I'M HAPPY WITH THE WAY THINGS ARE NOW!
SPEAK FOR YOURSELF!
KNUCKLES!
ABOUT TIME YOU GOT BACK HERE!
THANK GOODNESS YOU'RE ALL RIGHT!
HEY! HEY! HEY! EASY WITH THE CHOKE HOLDS THERE!
WHAT ABOUT TOBOR?

"HE'S TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS AT THE MOMENT!"

AT LAST!

ALL SYSTEMS ARE A GO!

BRING UP THE MONITORS ONLINE!

I'D LIKE TO SEE IF THE SITUATION HAS REMAINED STATUS QUO--

--ESPECIALLY IN REGARDS TO KNUCKLES! WOULDN'T YOU SAY, GRANDFATHER THUNDERHAWK?

GIVEN THE EVIDENCE BEFORE US, I'D SAY WE HAVE A MOST INTERESTING DEVELOPMENT, LOCKE!

A PAIRING BETWEEN A GUARDIAN AND A DARK LEGIONNAIRE?

NOW THAT COULD PRESENT SOME INTRIGUING POSSIBILITIES!

NOT IF THE DARK LEGION HAS ANYTHING TO SAY ABOUT IT!

WHATEVER COULD'VE POSSESSED JULIE-SU TO BEHAVE IN SUCH A BIZARRE MANNER?

Y'KNOW, LOCKE, YOUR SON MAY HAVE THE RIGHT IDEA!

MAYBE IT'S TIME YOU ENJOYED LIFE A BIT MORE YOURSELF!

I'LL TAKE IT UNDER *ADVISEMENT*, FATHER!

IN THE MEANTIME, I'M CONTENT SIMPLY *KNOWING* THAT EVERYTHING IS *CALM* AND *PEACEFUL* FOR THE TIME BEING!

MAYBE YOU CAN *RELAX*, VOCKE, BUT I *CAN'T*!

NOT WHEN THAT OLD *FOOL*, TOBOR, IS *NOWHERE* IN SIGHT!

AS OF NOW, I'D BETTER BE *READY* FOR *EVERY* CONTINGENCY -

AS *ANYTHING* COULD HAPPEN *NEXT*!

AS IF TO DRIVE HOME THE POINT, BE HERE NEXT MONTH FOR THE START OF AN ALL-NEW ADVENTURE IN...

THE FORBIDDEN ZONE!

Ribeiro

FISTFUL OF LETTERS

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INVASION!

NEXT MONTH: FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO FOLLOW THE ADVENTURES OF **SONIC THE HEDGEHOG**, YOU'LL REALLY ENJOY THIS NEXT TRILOGY CALLED **"THE FORBIDDEN ZONE!"** WE GET DOWN TO BUSINESS AS **GEOFFREY ST. JOHN** AND HIS CRACK TEAM OF COMMANDOS TO **THE FLOATING ISLAND** TO FIND OUT **"WHAT HAPPENED TO QUEEN ALICIA!"** NOT ONLY DO THEY ENTER KNUCKLES' DOMAIN AT GREAT RISK, BUT THEY FIND THEMSELVES IN THE MIDDLE OF A BLIZZARD THAT THREATENS THE VERY ENVIRONMENT OF THE ISLAND! WRITTEN BY KEN PENDERS, ART BY MARAT GALAN AND ANDREW PEPOY. **KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #19 ON SALE OCTOBER 1998!**

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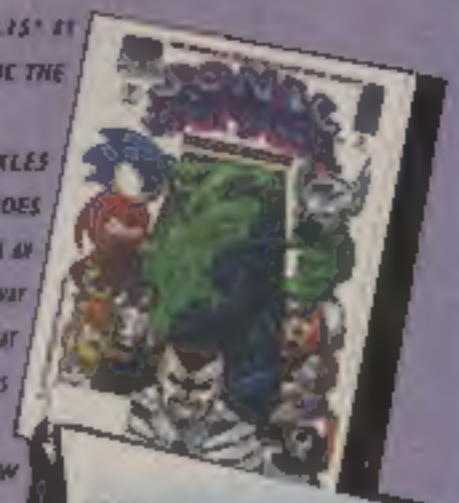
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #65 ON SALE SEPTEMBER 1998!

AND IN FIVE WEEKS: SONIC, KNUCKLES AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS MEET THE HEROES OF IMAGE COMICS! NO, IT'S NOT A DREAM, NOR A HOAX, NOR AN ELABORATE STORY! THE TRUTH IS NOT ONLY OUT THERE — IT'S WAY OUT THERE AS THE **MASTER EMERALD**, THE POWER SOURCE THAT MAINTAINS **THE FLOATING ISLAND'S** PLACE IN THE SKY, IS STOLEN BY A MYSTERIOUS ENEMY. SONIC AND THE GANG JET THE **COSMIC INTERSTATE** IN SEARCH OF THE PRICELESS GEM. WHERE THEY WIND UP IS A WORLD UNLIKE ANY THEY'VE SEEN BEFORE AS THEY FIND THEMSELVES IN THE DEAD STREETS OF NEW YORK CITY AND BEYOND, TEAMING UP WITH AN ASSORTMENT OF HEROES SUCH AS **SHADOWHAWK, THE SAVAGE DRAGON, THE MAXX** AND OTHERS IN AN EFFORT TO RESTORE THINGS TO THE WAY THEY USED TO BE. CAN THEY DO IT OR WILL THE BAD GUYS WIN OUT IN THIS **48-PAGE EPIC ADVENTURE?** TRUST NO ONE BUT THE CREATIVE TEAM OF **KEN PENDERS AND JIM VALENTINO** FOR THE ANSWERS TO THIS ONE! **SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #7 ON SALE OCTOBER 1998! TO ORDER, LOOK FOR COUPONS IN THIS VERY ISSUE!**



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HERE I WILL EXPOUND WHAT I LIKE ABOUT THE COMIC KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA AND MY REASONS FOR IT. TO START OFF, WHAT I FIND CAPTIVATING IS KNUCKLES' BECOMING, GETTING CLOSER TO HIS IDENTITY AS A GUARDIAN, AND HOW IT CONSTITUTES AND AFFECTS THE PERSON WHO HE IS. BACK WHEN HE SERVED HE WAS THE LAST ECHIDNA ON THE PLANET MOBIUS, I SAW HIM AS A LONELY CREATURE. I FELT SAD AND HOPED THERE WOULD BE MORE FOR HIM. I WANTED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT HE WAS EXPERIENCING IN FEELING AND THOUGHT. AFTER READING THE TRULY TOUCHING AND HEARTRENDING STORY "FATHERS AND SONS" IN SUPER SONIC VS. HYPER KNUCKLES SPECIAL #1, I FELT THAT I UNDERSTOOD HIM BETTER AND I LOVED HIM FOR IT. HIS STRENGTH OF DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE HIS GOALS JUST ABSOLUTELY GRIPPED MY HEART. STILL TODAY WITH THE RETURN OF ECHIDNAPOLIS, I SEE HIM SET APART FROM EVERYONE ELSE, ISOLATED IN THE CONVOLUTED [redacted] AS THE "LAST GUARDIAN" TO KEEP POWER GIRL-SEE SHE, AND KNUCKLES, IS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS BEEN "CAST OUT" FROM WHERE SHE WOULD HAVE OTHERWISE LIVED. IF AND WHEN THEY DO FALL IN LOVE, IT WOULD BE INTERESTING BECAUSE OF WHERE THEY CAME FROM (HIM BEING A GUARDIAN WHILE SHE'S FROM THE DARK LEGION). THEN THERE IS THE ISSUE OF KNUCKLES' PARENTS, LOCKE AND LARA-LE. THERE IS A BITTER TENSION BETWEEN THEM THAT CREATES A COMPOSITION-PRESENTING DRAMA IN [redacted] FAMILY TENSION CONCERNS JITANA AND THE REST OF THE GUARDIANS. A PROBLEM IN THE PAST THAT CONTINUES TO [redacted] ISSUE OF KNUCKLES HATING BEING "PREORDAINED" WITH FOES (SUCH AS EREKUAL, DRAGON AND THE DARK LEGION) SIMPLY BECAUSE HE'S A GUARDIAN. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE CHARACTER PLAY A BIGGER ROLE IN KNUCKLES' LIFE AS HE REALLY NEEDS FRIENDS HE CAN TALK TO AND ADVOCATE WITH IN A CLOSE AND PERSONAL WAY. YOUR STORIES HAVE SHOWN US WHAT IT TRULY MEANS TO BE GUARDIAN OF THE FLOATING ISLAND, AND THAT IT IS KNUCKLES! I DO HAVE ONE QUESTION: WHO WAS THE [redacted] GUARDIAN IN #5, PAGE 11? WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR READING MY LETTER. I LOVE KNUCKLES AND AM IMMENSELY GRATEFUL THAT YOU CONSIDER US HAVE A GREAT PAIR OF NOSE COMICS. MY ONE REQUEST IS THAT I'D LIKE TO REACH OUT AND GET TO KNOW MY FELLOW EARTH ACQUAINTANCES OUT THERE. (I WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE HEARING FROM YOU.) SO PLEASE PRINT MY FULL ADDRESS:

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